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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

The following are listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and are in a non-English language:

- 1. European Patent Application No. EP 0 839 675 A1.
- 2. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 7-108805 The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application.
- 3. Japanese Patent Application No. JP 4-185507 The relevance of this document is discussed at page 2 of the specification of the present application.

In lieu of a statement of relevance or the translation of non-English document 1 above, enclosed is an English-language international search report from the European Patent Office in the PCT international application, from which this national phase U.S. application is derived, citing the document and setting forth the relevance thereof.

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